GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:215
ANSWERED ON:20.07.2004
SUPPLY OF FERTILIZER TO FARMERS
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Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is acute shortage of fertilizers in the country;

(b) if so, the details and reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government is aware that due to delay in timely supply of fertilizers, the farmers are facing hardship; and

(d) if so, the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government to ensure smooth distribution and marketing of quality fertilizers in the country?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS & MINISTER OF STEEL (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN)

(a) to (d): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement referred to in reply to parts (a) to (d) of the Lok Sabha Starred Question No.215 to be answered on 20.7.2004

(a) : No, Sir.

(b): Question does not arise.

(c) & (d): There is adequate availability of major fertilizers namely Urea, and Di-Ammonium Phosphate (DAP) in the country. However, in case of Muriate of Potash (MOP), some of the States reported inadequate supplies and additional quantities have been moved to those States.